

REMARKS

Applicant requests entry of this amendment in order to clarify the claim language and reduce the number of claims on appeal. Applicant submits that the amendment does not raise new issues that would require further search and consideration by the Examiner. Applicant also requests reconsideration of the final rejection of the claims.

Claims 1, 2, 5, 7, 9, 10, 15 and 16 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Tanaka et al. Applicants respectfully traverses the rejection.

The conditions of plural pieces of emission pattern information used in the image display method related to the present invention are as follows: (1) the average value of the gradation levels shown by each of plural pieces of emission pattern information is to be equal to one gradation level to be displayed; and (2) it is assumed that emission pattern information shows emission with "1" and non-emission with "0" for each subfield, and that plural pieces of emission pattern information averaged for each subfield is an average emission rate. In this case, an arrangement is made so that an average emission rate becomes 0.75 or greater for any subfield with its brightness weight smaller than the maximum brightness weight of the subfield where its average emission rate is not zero. Tanaka et al. fails to disclose or suggest that an average emission rate, which is the plurality of pieces of emission pattern information averaged by each subfield, of any subfield with brightness weight smaller than maximum brightness weight of a subfield in which an average emission rate thereof is not zero, is equal to or greater than 0.75 as claimed. Accordingly, the reference cannot anticipate the claims under 35 U.S.C. 102(e). Reconsideration and withdrawal of the amendment is respectfully requested.

In view of the above, all of the claims in this case are believed to be in condition for allowance, notice of which is respectfully urged.

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